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In re Application of	:
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Serial No.: 10/820,607	: SUSPENSION OF ACTION
Filed: April 8, 2004	:
Attorney Docket No.: P06300US02-PHI 1483	:

This is in reply to the petition under 37 CFR 1.103 to suspend action on this application at applicant's request for a period of six months, filed March 30, 2006.

A review of the file history shows that this is an examined application. Applicant requests that action on this application be suspended for six months in view of the fact that the claims in this case are substantially similar to claims in cases currently on appeal with the same Assignee.

§ 1.103 Suspension of action by the Office.

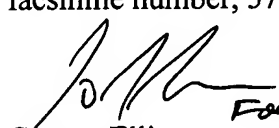
- (a) Suspension for cause. On request of the applicant, the Office may grant a suspension of action by the Office under this paragraph for good and sufficient cause. The Office will not suspend action if a reply by applicant to an Office action is outstanding. Any petition for suspension of action under this paragraph must specify a period of suspension not exceeding six months. Any petition for suspension of action under this paragraph must also include:
- (1) A showing of good and sufficient cause for suspension of action; and
 - (2) The fee set forth in § 1.17(g), unless such cause is the fault of the Office.

Applicant's petition requests suspension in view of the fact that the claims in this case are substantially similar to claims in cases currently on appeal with the same Assignee. No indication is given as to when these cases were filed, their status or approximate date of decision or resolution, nor how any decision would affect prosecution or patentability in this application. Also, in the instant case, the issues ultimately developed and maintained may not be the same as those at the Board of Appeals. In summary, no showing of good or sufficient cause has been made.

In view of the above reason the petition is **DENIED**.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for initial examination in turn.

Should there be any questions with respect to this action, please contact Marianne C. Seidel, by mail addressed to: Director, Technology Center 1600, P. O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, or by telephone at 571-272-0584 or by facsimile transmission at the Office general facsimile number, 571-273-8300.

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